











## **The Suppressed Years**

Railway and National Socialism in Austria 1938 – 1945



## **Invitation to the Exhibition**

The Suppressed Years Railway and National Socialism in Austria 1938 – 1945 The exhibition "The Suppressed Years" addresses for the first time the role of the railway in the Nazi era. It will look at the time when the ÖBB (back then the BBÖ) was part of the Deutsche Reichsbahn, and when the railway was one of the main pillars of the Nazi state. Without the train as a means of transport, the war logistics of the Wehrmacht and the mass transportations to the death camps would not have been possible. The exhibition also addresses the role of the railway workers, the railway as a means of transportation for emigration, forced labour and the railway, and the resistance of railway workers against the Nazi regime, for which they often paid with their lives.



Registration: **TEL-AVIV-OB@bmeia.gv.at**Please note that the number of visitors is limited.

Invitation The Austrian Embassy in Tel Aviv, Austrian Cultural Forum Tel Aviv, Tel Aviv University and ÖBB-Holding AG cordially invite you to the

opening of the exhibition

**The Suppressed Years** 

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in the presence of the Federal Chancellor of Austria

Location Monday 30 January 2017, 7pm

Tel Aviv University, Elias Sourasky Central Library,

Ramat Aviv, Tel Aviv 69978

**Speakers** Martin Weiss, Ambassador, Austrian Embassy Tel Aviv

Raanan Rein, Vice President of Tel Aviv University

Josef Halbmayr, CFO of the Austrian Railway Corporation, ÖBB-Holding AG

Oliver Rathkolb, Chair of the Department of Contemporary History

at the University of Vienna

**Representative** of Yad Vashem

Alisa Tennenbaum, contemporary witness

Oskar Deutsch, President of the Jewish Community of Austria

Christian Kern, Federal Chancellor of Austria

Moderator Konstanze Breitebner

We look forward to welcoming you.

The exhibition can be visited until March 17th 2017.